AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A capsule filling machine [[(10)]] for the production of hard gelatin capsules [[(C)]] of the type with a capsule lid and a capsule body [[(13, 14)]] containing ~~particles (12) of~~ particulate pharmaceutical material, in particular micro-tablets [[(12)]] or pellets, the machine [[(10)]] comprising:

a first rotary carousel ~~carrousel~~ [[(2)]], which supports a plurality of slide units [[(3)]] for picking up and handling the capsules [[(C)]] in order to open then close the capsules [[(C)]] by separating then joining the capsule lids [[(13)]] and the capsule bodies [[(14)]]; a second carousel ~~carrousel~~ [[(4)]], which rotates in such a way that it is synchronized ~~synchronised~~ with the first rotary carousel [[(2)]], having a plurality of reciprocating doser means [[(21)]] moving between a first operating position in which the plurality of reciprocating doser means [[(21)]] ~~are designed to~~ pick up the particulate pharmaceutical material [[(12)]] from a tank [[(11)]] containing the material which is attached to the machine [[(10)]] and a second operating position in which ~~they~~ the reciprocating doser means release the material into the capsule [[(C)]] bodies [[(14)]],; ~~the machine being characterised in that~~

wherein the doser means [[(21)]] each comprise a hollow nozzle [[(22)]] with a plurality of seats [[(25)]] on ~~its~~ an edge thereof for picking up and holding the particulate pharmaceutical material [[(12)]], each seat [[(25)]] communicating with pneumatic means [[(24,24a,24b)]], the pneumatic means [[(24,24a,24b)]] comprising pneumatic vacuum means [[(24a)]] which, in the first operating position, suck up and hold individual particles [[(12)]] of the material in respective seats [[(25)]] of the nozzle [[(22)]], and

~~pressurised~~ pressurized pneumatic means [[(24b)]] which generate a flow that discharges the particulate pharmaceutical material ~~particles (12)~~ from the seats [[(25)]] in the second operating position to allow the above-mentioned release into the capsule [[(C)]] bodies [[(14)]].

2. (Currently Amended) The capsule filling machine according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the seats [[(25)]] on the edge are arranged on the surface of the nozzle [[(22)]] separated by angular spaces that are equal and relative to a longitudinal axis [[(Z')]] of the nozzle [[(22)]].

3. (Currently Amended) The capsule filling machine according to claim 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the angular spaces have an angle [[(α)]] equal to 120° between adjacent seats [[(25)]].

4. (Currently Amended) The capsule filling machine according to any of the foregoing claims from 1 to 3, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the first carousel ~~carrousel~~ [[(2)]] has a substantially funnel-shaped chamber [[(19)]] designed to engage with the nozzle [[(22)]] in the second operating position, allowing and facilitating particle [[(12)]] infeed into the capsule [[(C)]] body [[(14)]].